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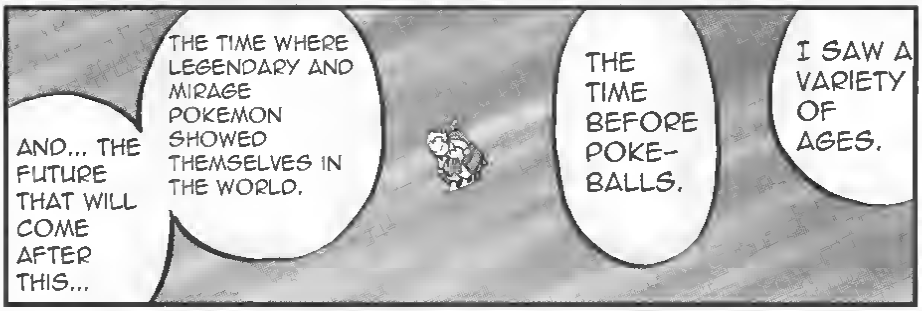
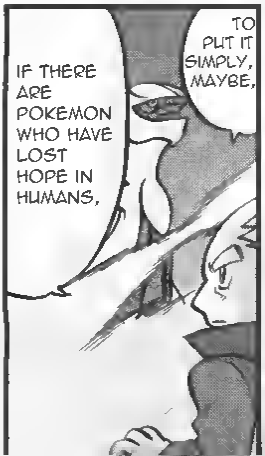
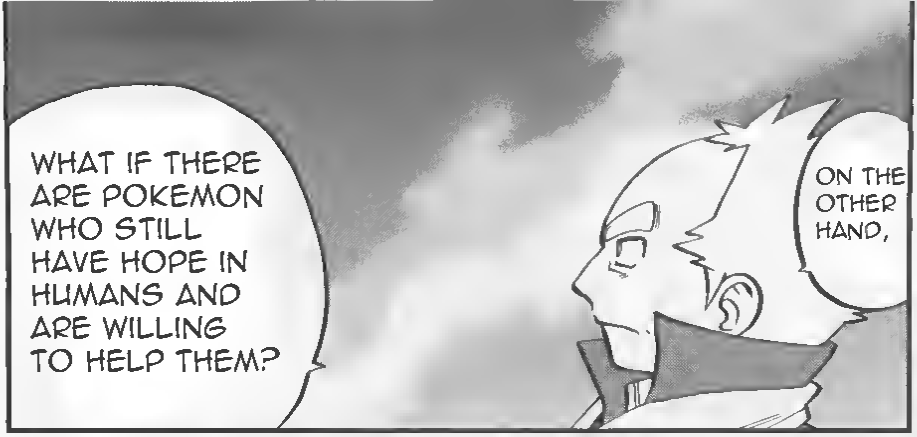
AFTER THE CONFLICT WITH YOU ALL WAS OVER, I REMAINED IN THE VOIDS OF TIME.
I JUST DRIFTED ALONG IN THE SWIRL OF PAST AND FUTURE.
LIKE GRASS FLOATS IN THE OCEAN.

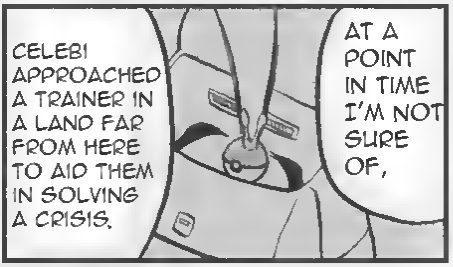

I SAW A VARIETY OF AGES.
THE TIME BEFORE POKE-BALLS.
THE TIME WHERE LEGENDARY AND MIRAGE POKEMON SHOWED THEMSELVES IN THE WORLD.
AND... THE FUTURE THAT WILL COME AFTER THIS...

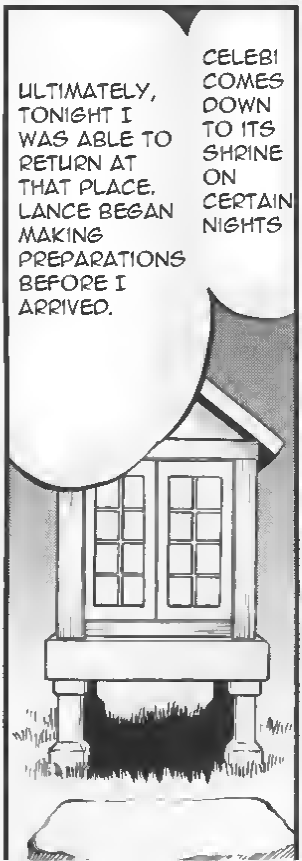

TO PUT IT SIMPLY, MAYBE,
IF THERE ARE POKEMON WHO HAVE LOST HOPE IN HUMANS,

HOW AM I ALIVE WITHOUT THE RAINBOW AND SILVER WINGS AND THE GS BALL?
HOW DID I RETURN?
THE REASON IS IT WAS CELEBI'S WILL. I DON'T EVEN UNDERSTAND ITS TRUE INTENTION IN DOING THIS.

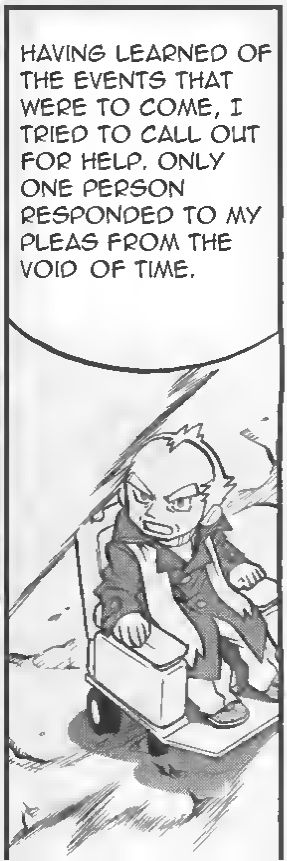

WHAT IF THERE ARE POKEMON WHO STILL HAVE HOPE IN HUMANS AND ARE WILLING TO HELP THEM?
ON THE OTHER HAND,

IS PERHAPS SO I COULD BE HERE IN THIS TIME, AND FOR THE SAKE OF THE FUTURE.
THE REASON I SURVIVED BEING IN THE VOID OF TIME,

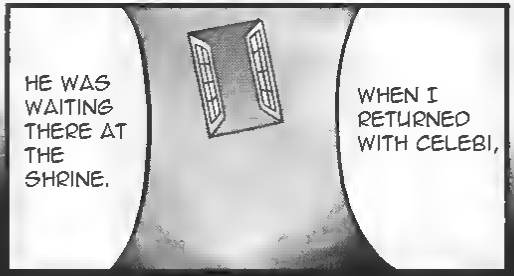

CELEBI APPROACHED A TRAINER IN A LAND FAR FROM HERE TO AID THEM IN SOLVING A CRISIS.
AT A POINT IN TIME I'M NOT SURE OF,


ULTIMATELY, TONIGHT I WAS ABLE TO RETURN AT THAT PLACE. LANCE BEGAN MAKING PREPARATIONS BEFORE I ARRIVED.
CELEBI COMES DOWN TO ITS SHRINE ON CERTAIN NIGHTS

THAT WAS LANCE.


HAVING LEARNED OF THE EVENTS THAT WERE TO COME, I TRIED TO CALL OUT FOR HELP. ONLY ONE PERSON RESPONDED TO MY PLEAS FROM THE VOID OF TIME.

I THINK YOU ALREADY KNOW EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED AFTERWARD.
HE INFORMED PROFESSOR SAMUEL OAK ABOUT THE NEED TO PREVENT THE 3 DRAGONS' CREATION.


HE WAS WAITING THERE AT THE SHRINE.
WHEN I RETURNED WITH CELEBI,

MY DAD... WHY IS HE WITH YOU...?!
W-WAIT!

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THEN, LANCE ARRIVED.
そこへ ワタルが来た。
セレビイが「重い病の治療法を授けた」という伝説に導かれてな。
どうやらサカキは、セレビイを欲しておったらしい。
IT SEEMED GIOVANNI WAS ALSO SEEKING CELEBI.
THE LEGEND THAT CELEBI COULD GRANT A CURE FOR SEVERE ILLNESS WAS WHAT BROUGHT HIM THERE.

GIOVANNI-DONO! PRYCE AND I, AS WELL AS YOURSELF, HAVE COMPLICATED PASTS WITH EACH OTHER.
HOWEVER, PLEASE LET US PUT ASIDE OUR DIFFERENCES RIGHT NOW
THIS WORLD—THE POKEMON AND PEOPLE. ITS VERY EXISTENCE—IS IN DANGER
...AND ALSO YOUR SON FOR THE SAKE OF PROTECTING SILVER ESPECIALLY, WOULDN'T YOU WANT TO HELP STOP THIS CRISIS?!
WE BEG OF YOU
IF WE TAKE CARE OF THIS SITUATION BY TOMORROW,
YOU CAN DO WHATEVER YOU WANT TO ME.
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HARRY, KEN, AL,
YES SIR!
YES SIR!
YES SIR!
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I AM ABOUT TO GO TO THE SINJOH RUINS.
DO NOT LET ANYONE IN THIS FOREST GET CLOSE TO CELEBI!
OBEY THIS COMMAND BY ALL MEANS!
YES SIR!
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NO WAY.
ME TOO.
MYSELF, I'M GOING TO BACK OUT OF THIS.
BECAUSE GIOVANNI-SAMA'S ASSUMED SUCH A POSITION, BASICALLY WE'D BE OPPOSING GIOVANNI-SAMA WITH THIS PLAN, THE OPPOSITE OF OUR INTENTIONS. THIS IS TROUBLING, ISN'T IT?
WHAT SHOULD WE DO?! WITH THIS DEVELOPMENT... THINGS DON'T LOOK GOOD FOR US!!
IS SOME-THING I WILL NOT ALLOW
ANY OF YOU ABAN-DONING THIS PLAN NOW...
HE IS NOT THE BOSS OF TEAM ROCKET!
ALSO, THAT GIOVANNI-SAMA IS NOT THE GIOVANNI-SAMA WE HAVE BEEN EAGERLY WATING FOR!
YOU... WHAT DID YOU SAY?! ARCHER!!
今後ロケット団は、
WITH ARCEUS AND ALL OF ITS PLATES AT MY DISPOSAL,
I, ARCHER, WILL BE IN CON-TROL!!

COME NOW, COME! ARIANA, PROTON, PETREL!!
LET'S CAPTURE ARCEUS ...
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AAAAAAHH!!
FOOLS.
IT SEEMS THEY THINK THEY USED THEIR OWN POWER TO MAKE ARCEUS CREATE THE 3 DRAGONS.

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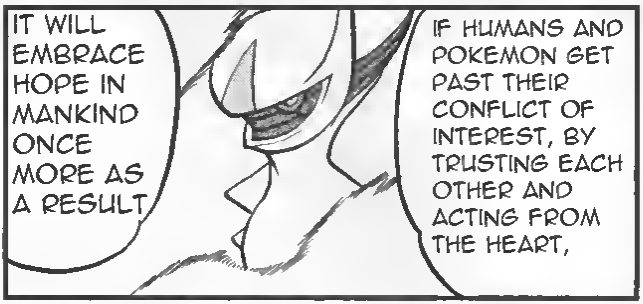
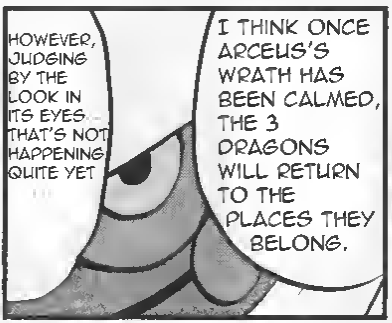
IT WAS BETTING ON WHETHER HUMANS COULD HOLD BACK THE COLLAPSE OF THE WORLD, AND CREATED THE 3 DRAGONS TO FIND OUT.
ARCEUS DID ALL OF THIS OF ITS OWN WILL.

ARCEUS HAD ALREADY ABANDONED ITS HOPE FOR HUMANS.
WHEN ARCHER DREW ARCEUS INTO THIS WORLD,

IS... IS THAT TRUE?! WHAT YOU SAID!!


IT WILL EMBRACE HOPE IN MANKIND ONCE MORE AS A RESULT.
IF HUMANS AND POKEMON GET PAST THEIR CONFLICT OF INTEREST, BY TRUSTING EACH OTHER AND ACTING FROM THE HEART,

HOWEVER, SOME PART OF IT WANTED TO BELIEVE IN HUMANS ONCE AGAIN.


HOWEVER, JUDGING BY THE LOOK IN ITS EYES... THAT'S NOT HAPPENING QUITE YET...
I THINK ONCE ARCEUS'S WRATH HAS BEEN CALMED, THE 3 DRAGONS WILL RETURN TO THE PLACES THEY BELONG.

LET'S DRAW THEM OUTSIDE.
THIS CHAMBER IS TOO CONFINED, IT'S MAKING IT TOO DIFFICULT TO INTERFERE WITH THE 3 DRAGONS' FIGHT.

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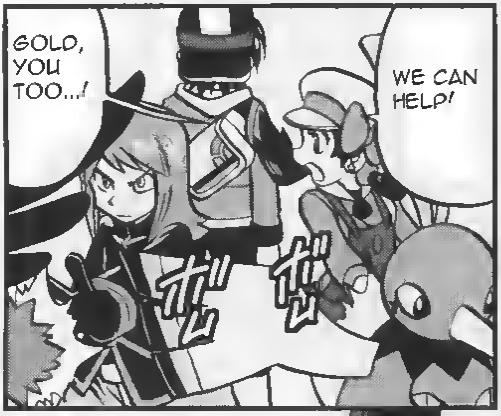
GOLD, YOU TOO...!
WE CAN HELP!
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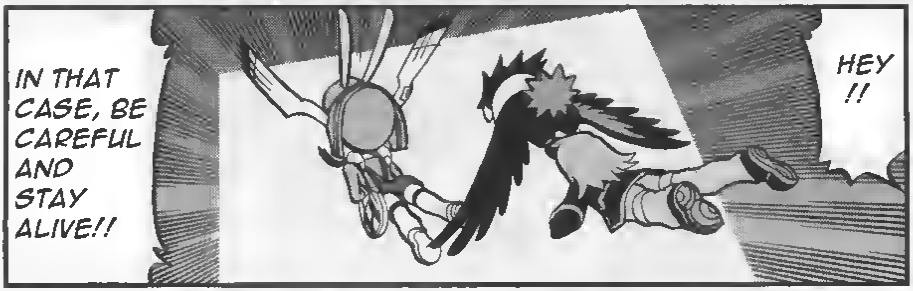
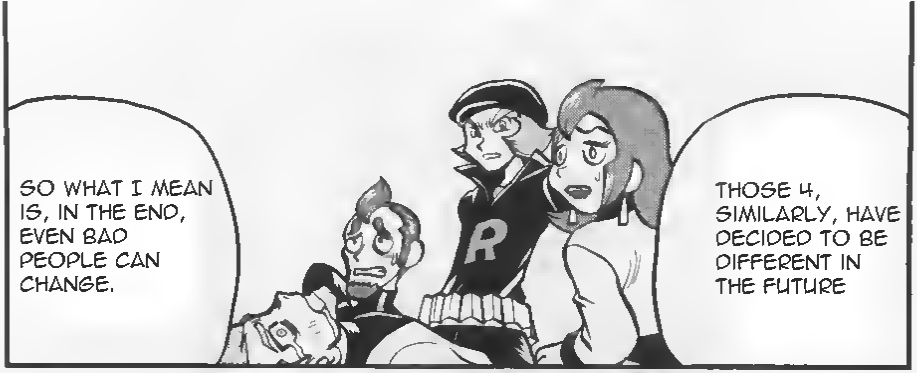
I'M NOT GOING.
IT'S MY DUTY TO STAY AND CALM ARCEUS'S HEART.
GOLD ...!

GO WITH THE OTH-ERS.
DON'T WORRY
OH! I FORGOT ANOTHER THING!
YOUR NEW CLOTES.
CRYS,
I DON'T WANT TO KNOW, BUT...
WHAT ARE YOU DO-ING?!
WHOA !!
XATEE, TAIL-WIND!
THEY SUIT YOU

I'LL LISTEN TO IT
WHEN WE'VE COMPLETELY FULFILLED OUR DUTY HERE,


IN THAT CASE, BE CAREFUL AND STAY ALIVE!!
HEY !!

I CAN UNDERSTAND YOUR DISILLUSION-MENT WITH THE HUMAN RACE.
LOOKING AT PEOPLE LIKE THAT,
HEY, ARCEUS ...
AND THINK ABOUT YOUR WISH TO EXTERMI-NATE THEM?
MAYBE, THEN, YOU CAN USE THAT TRUST AS A BASIS TO USE TO REGAIN HOPE IN MANKIND?
YOU CONSIDERED TRUSTING CRYS, DIDN'T YOU?
WHEN CRYS TRIED TO CAPTURE YOU, FOR A MOMENT...
AND NOW SAYS THINGS LIKE, "IT'S MY MISSION TO SAVE THE WORLD."
AFTER ALL, PRYCE USED TO SAY ALL POKEMON OUTSIDE HIS TEAM WERE "ONLY TOOLS,"


SO WHAT I MEAN IS, IN THE END, EVEN BAD PEOPLE CAN CHANGE.
THOSE 4, SIMILARLY, HAVE DECIDED TO BE DIFFERENT IN THE FUTURE

SO,
GIVE US A LITTLE MORE OF A CHANCE.